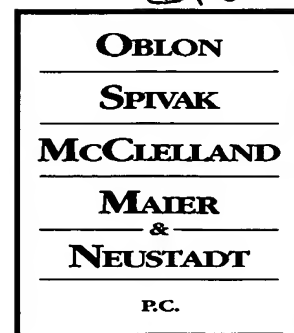




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Applicants: Masami ENDA, et al.
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Group Art Unit: 1754
Examiner: A. E. HERTZOG

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Response to Restriction Requirement

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Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 10, 2005, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I: Claims 1-8, drawn to a method for chemically decontaminating radioactive material, for further prosecution.

REMARKS

The Examiner has required restriction of the above-identified application as follows:

- Group I: Claims 1-8, drawn to a method for chemically decontaminating radioactive material;
- Group II: Claim 9, drawn to a system for chemically decontaminating radioactive material which forms a passage for liquid to flow through; and
- Group III: Claims 10-11, drawn to a system for chemically decontaminating radioactive material.

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